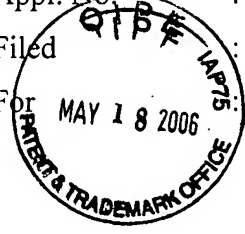


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GROWTH FACTOR  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**  
**AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

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This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of U.S. Application No. 10/649,480. In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 15, 2005 and the Advisory Action of April 17, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Summary of Interview** begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.